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Aerospace Systems Manufacturer to Add 25 Jobs in Cleveland County
State Grant Helps Curtiss-Wright Controls Expand in Shelby

RALEIGH – Gov. Bev Perdue today announced that Curtiss-Wright Controls, a manufacturer and service provider for the aerospace and defense industries, will expand its facility in Cleveland County. The company plans to create 25 jobs and invest \$12.95 million during the next three years in Shelby. The project was made possible in part by a \$130,000 grant from the One North Carolina Fund.

“Curtiss-Wright is bringing more 21st century jobs to our state and expanding North Carolina’s growing aerospace cluster,” said Gov. Bev Perdue. “Like so many other companies, Curtiss-Wright sees the value of our skilled workforce and nationally acclaimed business climate. We’re pleased to announce such terrific news from a company and an industry whose roots all come back to North Carolina, where two brothers – namesakes of this company – made the first flight on the Outer Banks.”

Curtiss-Wright Controls is a segment of the Curtiss-Wright Corporation devoted to motion control systems required by the aerospace and defense industries. A new contract will allow the company to expand its Flight Systems units located in Gaston and Cleveland counties. The new investment will expand capabilities to rapidly machine, process, inspect, service and deliver critical components to regional and global customers. Headquartered in Charlotte, Curtiss-Wright Controls employs 307 in North Carolina, including 247 at the Shelby facility.

Salaries will vary by job function, but the average annual wage for the new jobs will be \$50,354 plus benefits. The Cleveland County average annual wage is \$32,334.

The One NC Fund provides financial assistance, through local governments, to attract business projects that will stimulate economic activity and create new jobs in the state. Companies receive no money up front and must meet job creation and investment performance standards to qualify for grant funds. These grants also require and are contingent upon local matches.